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The 162nd Annual Diocesan Convention

Long Session Meets Vital Issues With Unbroken Good Spirit

Against a background of world-wide social, political, and economic unrest, Bishop Hart called to order the 162nd Annual Convention of the Diocese, meeting in Holy Trinity Church on May 6th and 7th.

The Keynote

Bishop Hart's annual address, delivered to the mass meeting held at 8 o'clock Monday evening, sounded what proved to be a keynote that unconsciously recurred again and again in the thinking and debate of the delegates. That was a deep concern for the often-forgotten truth that the keystone of all our efforts must be to serve men, that buildings, institutions, finances and all other considerations are and must be subordinate to the human and spiritual factor.

Obvious opportunities for this feeling to manifest itself were in the resolutions offered by the Department of Christian Social Relations, and a resolution to provide special salary payments for returned Chaplains. But even in the discussion of our possible pledge to the National Council in 1947, the concern of the delegates as a whole was more for our obligation to make every sacrifice to meet the needs of men than for the "more practical" considerations of how the money might be raised.

Our Pledge to National Council

The only real discussion involving money was that evoked by this request for an expression of opinion as to what our likely pledge to the National Council budget in 1947 might be. Indications are that

we may be asked for an increase of \$40,000 in our giving to the world-wide program. Many were of the opinion that such a jump would be beyond our ability. Many others felt that by not deciding so at once people might be moved to assume the whole figure when the need is explained in human terms. That is the way the matter was left.

Specific Duties to Society

In the field of Social Relations three resolutions were presented, the first two by that Department of the Executive Council, the third by the Rev. William B. Schmidgall, Curate at St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill.

Convention accepted without discussion the proposal to have a complete "survey made of the needs of the Diocese in the field of Christian Social Relations, at a cost not to exceed \$1,000," and a report of the findings to be made to the next Convention.

Almost as promptly they voted against employing a full-time "Director of Christian Social Relations" at a cost of \$8,000. Dr. James M. Collins, Superintendent of City Mission, spoke in favor of such an office as a means of co-ordinating the work of the various social agencies of the Diocese. He foresaw no danger of "meddling" in the affairs of established institutions and agencies. Convention opinion, however, favored taking no action until completion of the survey mentioned above, and another survey of the needs of the whole Diocese and its various Departments provided for by the last Convention but not yet completed.

The resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Schmidgall was finally worded to read as follows:

"BE IT RESOLVED at the Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania meeting May 6, 1946, we deplore and condemn discrimination against a man who makes application for employment and is refused solely on the basis that he is a member of a racial or religious group. Both our religious responsibility and morality demands that we (begin with ourselves as Christian members of our Society), examining our own employment policies and those throughout our country and take steps to bring about equal job opportunity without religious or racial discrimination."

The extended discussion of the matter centered not in any disapproval of the basic sentiment expressed, but with a desire not to indulge in pious meddling outside our proper province. No one at any time condoned the known fact of discrimination. Several speakers, however, expressed doubt that such resolutions are an effective means of meeting inequities of the kind.

Help for Former Chaplains

Another manifestation of the Convention's concern for men rather than money was the proposal introduced by Dr. Dunphy, Rector of St. Mark's, Philadelphia. He pointed out that there is a considerable group of the clergy who resigned from their parishes or missions to answer the call for chaplains during the war and are now required to live on the earnings from occasional supply work while waiting for full-time employment. His suggestion was that payments should be made to them by the Diocese to bring their income up to the level it had attained before their military serv-

ice. This was finally approved when it was decided that an increase in the Diocesan Assessment on every parish and mission would be approved if necessary to provide required funds.

Unity by Growth, Not Decree

The Committee on Church Unity reported through its Chairman, Dr. Salmon, on the nine-year-old proposal of General Convention to seek grounds for organic unity with the Presbyterian Church. The report freely acknowledged that the complete reuniting of all parts of the Christian Church is the only possible way to attain and express the will of Christ. It stressed the fact that in many areas of effort there can and should be a high degree of co-operation and growing fellowship between all Christian groups. The report then went on to a frank admission of what has been almost completely ignored or glossed over in most discussions to date, namely, that there are certain fundamental, and at present irreconcilable disagreements of conviction. Unity cannot be attained by pleasantly saying convictions do not matter, or that the disagreements do not exist. It can only come about through natural growth, mutual respect for differences of conviction, and a mutual striving to make the most of every opportunity to work together where convictions are held in common. Haste and coercion can only retard such growth. The report carried with it an endorsement of the World Council of Churches.

Dr. Stockman's appeal for an endorsement of the Philadelphia Council of Churches backed by a contribution of \$1,000 failed of passing by a small margin probably because it involved the large increase of appropriation from the \$150 heretofore allowed.

Another proposal rejected by the Convention was the new Canon providing for a rotating membership on the Standing Committee.

Four New Parishes Received

In many respects, the high point of the whole Convention came early on Tuesday morning with the report of the Committee on Charters. They recommended approval of applications for charters and full parochial status for Holy Trinity, Lansdale; St. Giles, Stonehurst; St. Faith's, Brookline, and Trinity, Colingdale. Such evidence of progress

inspired Bishop Hart to regret there was not time to sing a special Te Deum of thanksgiving.

Time indeed was pushed to limits seldom required in a regular Convention. Final adjournment had to be delayed until nearly six o'clock Tuesday evening instead of coming between three and four. Even such late adjournment, however, saw an unusually good attendance of delegates until the final gavel fell.

Notably absent throughout the discussions, no matter how lively

they became, was any temptation to call names or make unkind references. There was plenty of divergence of opinion, but always the spirit of personal respect and Christian forbearance prevailed. This was as it should be in a Convention convinced that nothing matters so much as serving men by leading them to God.

SECOND YEAR FOR CANTEEN

Harmony Hangout Canteen was organized at the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator two years ago. Beginning with about 100, there is now a membership of over 500, who pay a fee of 50c every six months, with an additional charge of 10c per night. Receipts for a six-weeks period during Lent, amount-



ing to \$392.42, were used for the Lenten Offering and the Reconstruction and Advance Fund.

The Rev. Lars R. Bache-Wiig, Assistant of the Parish, is adviser to the Executive Committee of fifteen young people. Mr. Richard Hanlon, Jr., with about 200 of the latest records and an efficient public address system, supplies the music. The snack bar has hot dogs, cokes, and candy.

Fifty-eight Parish Councilors made systematic visitation to all families of St. John's Church, Lansdowne, to stimulate participation in the Lenten program of the parish.

A boys' club and an organization for young people of high school age have recently been organized at St. Mary's Church, 3916 Locust Street.

A Men's Bible Class has been organized at Holy Trinity Church, Lansdale.

Elections

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Bishop Hart's Annual Address

We are very happy that Bishop Remington accepted his election as Suffragan Bishop and that he began his work with us in October. He has been of untold help to me. Both he and Mrs. Remington have added much to the life of our Diocese.

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A New Policy Toward Missions

The Committee on Program and Church Extension of the German-town Convocation has issued a list of twelve principles which they feel should be the basis of our missionary work in this Diocese. I commend them to your careful consideration. I heartily agree with the Committee that the combined efforts of the clergy, laymen and women are required to establish and maintain high standards; that our mission stations demand our ablest men who should be well paid and capable of developing lay leadership; that the quality of our missions is more important than the quantity. It is better to have a few strong missions, which command respect and support, than to have more missions than can be properly manned. Weak missions do actual harm. The Committee goes on to say, "It takes courage to pioneer and it takes equal courage to accept change." What has been said of conditions in England would apply in a lesser degree to this Diocese. One of the tasks to which we must set our hands in these days is to get rid of a good deal of machinery which is no longer necessary for the real business of the Church and often makes it appear to be occupied with an endless round of trivial activities. Closely bound up with this is the question of buildings inherited from the past. "What many of us are engaged in defending is not Holy Church, but a manifestation of the social life of the nineteenth century in the form of buildings which assault the eye and obstinately refuse to fall down."

It is a waste of money to erect a church building unless we are prepared to see to it that the congregation there assembled has adequate leadership. The leadership is so much more important than the building.

There are very definite and very

great obstacles in the way of our putting into practice the very fine suggestions made by the German-town Committee. One is the fact that the Diocese, as such, has very little power. We are a democratic church and are, therefore, dependent on the willingness of various congregations to think not primarily of their own interests, but to base their action on the broad premises of what is the best course to pursue to secure the advancement of our Lord's kingdom. It will have to be done in vestry meetings, men's club meetings, auxiliary meetings and wherever two or three are gathered together who are sincerely interested in the welfare of the Church in this Diocese.

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Reconstruction and Advance Fund

The contribution of this Diocese to the Reconstruction and Advance Fund is familiar to most of you. We started out to raise \$500,000.00, which is one-tenth of the original goal of the National Church of \$5,000,000.00. To date we have raised \$541,000.00. The Special Gifts Committee had a goal of \$400,000.00. The goal of the Parish Offering was set at \$100,000.00. To date the Parish Offering amounts to \$141,000.00.

Our gifts show our brethren in distant places that we are not only interested in helping them to rebuild the Church there, but that we realize that the hope of our own future lies in making the Church more vital here at home.

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Church Foundation

Again I want to express my thanks to the Directors of The Church Foundation and especially to its Executive Vice-President, Dr. Hartshorne, for the splendid work that they are doing for the Diocese. The aggregate market value of the securities held by The Church Foundation is now about \$2,000,000. This represents 112 separate funds. Seventy-six of these funds are less than \$10,000, 57 of the 76 are under \$5,000 and 23 of this 57 are under \$1,000. Businessmen will know the difficulty and expense involved in

getting small trust funds handled commercially today. The Church Foundation is able to handle this great number of small funds at a low cost because of its Consolidated Fund.

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Increased Pension Premiums

The Church Pension Fund proposes to ask the approval of the General Convention for an increase of the premium assessment from 7½% to 10%, effective January 1, 1947. Our Diocesan Committee may have something to say on this subject tomorrow. I desire to call attention to two facts.

1. In 1933, with invested assets of a little under twenty-nine millions, the interest amounted to about one and a half millions. In 1945, with invested assets of about thirty-eight millions, the interest was one million, one hundred and sixty thousand. In other words, a capital fund about nine millions larger brought in an income about two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars *smaller*.

2. In 1944 the Church Pension Fund changed its assumed interest rate from 3½% to 3¼%. This necessitated a transfer from surplus to reserve of \$1,997,075.

The proposal of the Fund to increase the premium assessment from 7½% to 10% seems to have met with general approval throughout the Church.

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Philadelphia Divinity School

Although the Philadelphia Divinity School is not technically an institution of the Diocese, it is to a great extent in reality a diocesan institution. The training of men and women for full-time service in the Church is one of paramount interest to everyone who has the good of the Church at heart. We have every reason to be encouraged by the fact that you, the lay people of this Diocese, have been loyally contributing to the support of the Divinity School, even though its student body is very small.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The excerpts printed herewith give some details stressed by Bishop Hart. The full address will appear in the Journal of Convention.

Woman's Auxiliary

MRS. OLIVER J. HART, Editor

President's Message

It is indeed gratifying that the Woman's Auxiliary through its president has again been given the opportunity of presenting the report of its work at the Diocesan Convention. Last year was the first time this was done; previously the report was incorporated in the Bishop's address. All the members of the Auxiliary feel that it is most fitting that the Convention should hear this record of the year's accomplishments from their representative, and they are duly appreciative. It is in line with the action of the Presiding Bishop at the last General Convention when Mrs. Hill was asked to speak for the women of the Church at the joint session.

The report given this year shows \$25,000 for Missions and credited to the parishes' proportionate share; \$35,000, United Thank Offering; total gifts including Mission Study Offering, Supply Department, Reconstruction and Advance Fund and Material Aid, \$74,331. Department of Missions sponsored the Missionary meeting with Dr. Francis Wei.

Six courses of study were given by the Department of Education besides the Mission Study days in the parishes.

The Department of Christian Social Relations organized and continues to carry on the Material Aid for Europe in the Diocese, and some of the following subjects were presented at its meetings—Marriage Canon and the Philadelphia Marriage Council, Fellowship Commission, Co-ordinating of the Work of Christian Social Relations, and the Christian World Order.

Thanks to the Department of Promotion, the majority of parishes have become "unified-program" conscious, and are earnestly working towards its achievement. Two of the Convocations have become Woman's Auxiliaries to the Convocations.

The Personnel Committee has contacted schools and colleges to present the Church's needs and opportunities to young people.

The Junior Woman's Auxiliary has become the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese, sending delegates to either the Evening or Morning diocesan meetings.

Most important of all is the work of the Devotional Committee, which sponsored the Second Annual Corporate Communion for all the women of the Diocese, and planned many Quiet Days and retreats.

MARGARET PACKARD.

The Juniors

Have you heard the latest news? Our "Juniors" have graduated! Yes, they are now full-fledged members of the Woman's Auxiliary. Isn't that an important step forward along the road that leads to a completely unified diocesan family?

It happened this way. Some of the "youngsters" and a few of the "oldsters" met quite informally to talk the matter over. The young women themselves wanted to take this step. They saw clearly that there was much to gain and nothing to lose by ceasing to exist as a separate organization and by identifying themselves with the Woman's Auxiliary. After this meeting, the matter was presented for ratification to those parishes still having Junior groups.

Because the erstwhile Juniors are, for the most part, business and professional women, who find the evening a good time for meeting, a closer affiliation with the Diocesan Evening Branch is anticipated.

The Department of Promotion is very happy to note that under the new Diocesan By-Laws it is the responsibility of this Department to stand by and to give assistance in solving any problems which may arise as a result of the change.

Doesn't it give us all a sense of real satisfaction to know that the "big girls, little girls, old girls, young girls" and all the in-between sizes and ages are now in name, as they have long been in truth, members with equal privileges and responsibilities in that one congenial, busy fellowship known as the Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Missionary Institute

The Interdenominational Missionary Institute will return to the First Baptist Church, 17th and Sansom Streets, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, September 24th to 26th.

Miss Kathryne Bieri, who has been a missionary in India, will lead the study of that country, and Mrs. Joseph L. Davis will conduct the class on "The Christian and Race." There will also be courses on Spiritual Life, Program Building and Children's Work.

The Institute will close with a dinner on Thursday night, when there will be an outstanding speaker. Detailed programs and registration blanks will be available September 1.

U. T. O. Presented

The Diocesan Spring Presentation of the United Thank Offering was held on Thursday, May 2nd, at St. Stephen's Church. The Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart was Celebrant and the Rev. George W. Wickersham, recently returned from Chaplain duty in the Pacific with the U. S. M. C., was the preacher. The offering to date amounts to \$16,969.27.

As General Convention is early in September, with a great presentation service of the United Thank Offering at Convention Hall, 8:00 A. M., September 11th, every parish is urged to have a parish presentation in August and forward the offering to the Church House. This will take real co-operation. I know I can count on you, as Pennsylvania hopes to realize her goal of presenting \$100,000.00.

IN BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

As a token of great esteem and deep affection, the members of the Elizabeth Price Martin League, Unit No. 1, Philadelphia General Hospital, have placed in the Book of Remembrance the name of their late treasurer and co-worker, Minnie M. Willard, a person of rare ability and deep religious convictions, who spent her life ministering to others. "May she continue to live and grow in God's love and service."

The Female Protestant Episcopal Prayer Book Society reports that all requests for prayer books coming from Germany, Cuba, and many places in the United States, were filled. Hymnals were not available for all, due to war-time shortages.

Deaconess Mabel Adams, the Leamy Home, Mt. Airy, has a fine large picture of the Sistine Madonna, which is available as a gift for use in some Sunday School room or parish house.

Two New Mission Buildings Begun

Ground Dedicated at Broomall and Oreland



Ground was broken on March 31st for the erection of a church building to house the congregation of St. Peter's, Broomall. A lot extending for a full square along the

West Chester Pike provides space for church, parish house, and rectory. A church building will be erected now costing approximately \$33,000. The money for this is in



hand or pledged by the parishes and missions of the Convocation of Chester as a voluntary "proportionate share" for establishing the Church in strategic locations. It represents giving over a three-year period. Many parishes have written it into their budget as a regular yearly item. Opportunities for similar projects abound throughout the Convocation.



After three years of worshipping in the fire house, the congregation of St. Philip's-in-the-Fields, Oreland, is to have its own church as quickly as supplies can be made available. Bishop Hart blessed the site on



April 7th. It consists of a lot 200 by 150 feet located at Loraine Avenue and Oreland Mill Road in the center of a rapidly growing community shown in the background of the picture above. The present building will cost approximately

\$40,000, and will consist of a chapel, Sunday school, kitchen, and apartment for the Vicar. There is adequate space on the lot for subsequent erection of a church and rectory. About forty families are now attached to the mission.

Department of Christian Education



BASEBALL REPORT: MOST OF FACULTY ON STRIKE
Reverend Messrs. Halsey (seated left), Manderbach, Judd, Von der Heil, Bomberger

Summer Conference

Our Diocesan Summer Conference will again be held at Beaver College, Jenkintown, from July 7th to 12th. Bishop Remington will be with us for the first time—serving as our Chaplain, and also teaching a class on Christian World Order. Four members of the faculty are from "outside" the Diocese, and we are indeed privileged to have them with us. They are: Miss Elizabeth Falck, from Shanghai, who will teach a course on missions; Miss Florence Miller, from the Diocese of Delaware, who will work with the Church School teachers; the Rev. William B. Spofford, Jr., Diocese of Massachusetts, who will lead a young people's class on the responsibilities and problems of Christian youth today; and the Rev. W. Paul Thompson, Diocese of Bethlehem, who will have a class on leadership training for youth groups.

From the Diocese there will be many familiar faces among the faculty—and some new ones, as you can see by the following list: The Rev. Messrs. Copeland, Baxter, Manderbach, Halsey, Jones, Turner, Sturges, Cameron, Meryweather, Wood, Bomberger, Valentine, Williamson, and Mrs. George C. Bland and Mrs. William P. Jefferys. Dr. Young will again have the Sunset Service—and the Rev. Peter C. Van der Hiel will again be Dean.

The committee is patting itself on the back for being able to again line up such a fine faculty. Plan now to have your parish well represented at the Diocesan Summer Conference—which is open to all in the Diocese 15 years of age and older.

A limited number of scholarships are available.

Other Summer Conferences

Valley Forge Conference for Young People (15-26 years)
Time—June 23rd - 29th.
At—Valley Forge Military Academy
Cost—\$17.00.

Advance Conference of the Province of Washington
Time—June 17th - 28th.
At—Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Virginia.
Cost—Approximately \$33.00.

St. Paul's Summer School of Christian Education of the Third Province for Colored Church Workers
Time—July 22nd - 26th.
At—Lawrenceville, Virginia.
Cost—Approximately \$6.00.

Woman's Auxiliary Conference—Province of Washington
Time—June 17th - 21st.
At—Shrine Mont, Orkney Springs, Virginia.
Cost—\$13.00.

Clergy Conference

On June 10th, at 10:30 A. M., the clergy of the Diocese, at Bishop Hart's invitation, will gather at Episcopal Academy to consider with him

some of the most pertinent phases of Christian education for today.

Bishop Hart will express in his opening talk the concern of the Church for the Christian nurture of its children.

The Rev. Matthew M. Warren, lecturer on Christian Education at Virginia Seminary, and well known for his outstanding work in the field of Christian Education in the Diocese of Missouri, will present the over-all picture of Christian education in relation to the parish.

The Rev. Frederick W. Blatz, Chairman of the Department of Christian Education, will present the Syllabus of Learning prepared by our National Division on Christian Education, and the diocesan picture will be presented by Mrs. George C. Bland and the Rev. Charles F. Ehly, of our Department of Christian Education.

The conference will start at 10:30 A. M. and close at 3:00 P. M. Lunch will be provided by the Academy, and Bishop Hart hopes that all the clergy will make a special effort to be present.

Delegates to National Youth Convention Named

The following delegates, nominated at the Youth Convention in January, have been officially appointed to represent the Diocese of Pennsylvania at the National Youth Convention to be held here September 13th to 15th:

Adult Adviser—The Rev. Louis E. Fifer.
Alternates—Mr. Charles Shotwell.
Mrs. Edward K. Copper.
Youth Delegates—Vivian Certaine.
Ben Wilmot.
Alternates—Greta Wilson.
Preston Ough.

Looking Ahead

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

The 76th Annual Church School Institute—Monday, October 7, 1946.
The School of Christian Education—Tuesdays, October 15th through November 19th, 1946.

There will be opportunities for summer work for students, with board and lodgings. Types of work: teaching children, visiting families, recreation programs, parish work, social work, work camps. Information may be had from Miss Ellen B. Gammack, Personnel Secretary, National Council, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

Girls' Friendly Names Delegates

National Council - G. F. S. - U. S. A. will meet June 24th to 30th next, for the first time since 1942. Delegates from all over the country will gather on the campus of Denison University at Granville, in the very center of Ohio. This co-educational college of liberal arts and sciences was established in 1831 by the Ohio Baptist Education Society; its principal buildings are located on a horseshoe ridge overlooking the nearby town, from the lovely 350-acre campus. The Council promises to be both a vacation and an inspiration to the delegates and is being held under the chairmanship of Mrs. Malcolm E. Peabody, wife of the Bishop of Central New York and formerly active and loved in this Diocese. The program will include daily meditations, business sessions, "work shops" and study groups, with plenty of recreation on the side and some trips to nearby historical spots. The "Trailer," frequently mentioned before, will be at the meeting and will be dedicated by Bishop Tucker of Ohio. Bishop Hobson, of Southern Ohio, will make the opening address.

There will be three official delegates from the G. F. S. of Pennsylvania - Mrs. Edmund B. Wood, Diocesan President, and two member delegates, Miss Jane Ball and Miss Adele Jewitt. Jane Ball has been an active member of the Branch at Holy Apostles and the Mediator since her Junior days; she has been Acting Branch Adviser this past winter in the temporary absence of Mrs. John L. Carroll, and takes part in many other group activities among the young people of the parish, and teaches in the Church School. Adele Jewitt represents another of the largest G. F. S. groups - that of Trinity Church, Oxford. She was President of the Branch for several terms, and is now its Program Chairman. Next to her interest in her Branch comes her devotion to the Holiday House, where she has been a member of the summer staff for several years. Under Mrs. Wood's leadership, the Pennsylvania delegation will bring credit to this, the largest diocesan organization in the National Society.

Plans for the Oxford Market at Trinity Church, Oxford, on Saturday, May 25th, are rapidly shaping into an intriguing pattern. The



CONVENTION DELEGATES
Adele Jewitt Jane Ball

Pennsylvania Dutch motif will be carried out in the decorations, and attendants will wear the little white cap and apron of the Mennonite women seen in the city's markets. Original Dutch pottery will be on sale from the shop of a Berks County potter, who still shapes his bowls and bean-pots on an old potter's wheel and fires them in a kiln fueled by chestnut wood. There may be even a few "shoo-fly" pies for sale! As announced last month, a cafeteria supper will be served, generous and varied. Other goods of all kinds will be at hand, and the G. F. S. extends a very cordial invitation to all to share in the event. The beautiful old church will be open for inspection and there will be a brief service of worship late in the afternoon.

With restrictions on gasoline now but a memory, friends from all parts of the city can reach the Market with an easy drive over Roosevelt Boulevard and out Rising Sun Avenue to the church itself, about 6000 north. Or trolley car No. 26, marked Fox Chase, will take visitors from the Olney Avenue end of the Broad Street Subway directly to the church.

The Holiday House, Cape May, New Jersey, opens for the renting of rooms - but *not* meals - after May 15th. The regular season begins in June, and the House will remain open through September if the number of guests make it worthwhile. After May 1st applications may be sent to Mrs. William W. Cardwell, 644 Hughes Street, Cape May, accompanied by a deposit of \$2 each.

Interesting Admission Services have recently been held in new Branches. On March 3rd, ten Members and four Associates were admitted at St. Aidan's, Cheltenham - a Branch which is showing much

progress, and is now busily engaged in making Friendship Boxes for overseas children.

On March 25th, at St. Peter's, Broomall, eleven Juniors and two Associates were presented for membership. This is the Branch which has been meeting in the home of a member of the parish, while awaiting the building of a parish house - and the group includes children of the community not members of St. Peter's Parish.

A delightful letter was received by the Diocesan Members Branch from St. Luke's Hospital, Manila, in acknowledgment of dolls and toys sent at Christmas time. Asuncion Parrenas, R. N., Supervisor of the Children's Ward, tells how the toys were received with great joy, "because the pink elephants could wag their ears and the sailor boy could dance," and then she goes on to say: "We told them the dolls came all the way from America, over a long ocean voyage. America is already a tangible thing even to the little children since the liberation, so that they understand perfectly, I think. America and the friendship that it means to them is a magic word."

YOUNG PEOPLE VISIT HOME FOR INDIGENT

The Northeast Convocation of the Young People's Fellowship in the northeastern section of Philadelphia has felt the stimulus of returning service men and women, and is looking forward to the future with enthusiasm. On the Sunday after Easter they made their semi-annual visit to the Home for Indigent at Holmesburg. For several years this group visitation has been made to this institution at Christmas and Easter. The members conduct the service under the direction of the Chaplain, the Rev. Walter W. Ware, of the City Mission staff. When they went to cheer the old people in the Home on the afternoon of April 28th, they took with them dyed eggs and other gifts.

Revived Interest

There are seven parish groups in this Convocation, holding a joint meeting on the third Sunday evening of each month in one of the parishes. On March 17th five of the parish fellowships met at All Saints' Church, Crescentville. Captain Arch McGhee, recently returned from duty in India in the Army Air Force,

showed many beautiful picture slides and told interesting tales about that country in which he was stationed for over two years.

Participating Parishes

The following parishes are active at present: Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg; Trinity Church, Oxford; Church of the Messiah, Roosevelt Boulevard; All Saints' Church, Crescentville; Holy Innocents, Tacony. The officers at present are Miss Elizabeth Ells, acting president; Miss Anna Hall and Miss Margaret Amey, with the Rev. J. Aubrey Cragg adviser.

Will Visit Missions

Acting on the suggestion of Dean Caley, of the Convocation of Germantown, the next two meetings are to be held in Ascension Mission, Rhawnhurst, and St. Paul's Mission, Edgeley, to learn of their work and to find ways in which they can help.

HYMNALS ARE NEEDED

About 300 patients at Byberry Hospital attend chapel services on Sundays. They like to use the old "Mission Hymnal." The supply on

hand is inadequate, and the book is out of print. Perhaps someone who reads this may have a few copies that might be contributed. There is also need for regular prayer books and hymnals for this work (not necessarily the latest editions). Mr. George F. Keener is the lay missionary at this institution, and the books may be sent to him in care of the City Mission.

LETTER FROM LIBERIA

The Rev. Raymond Allan Gill, a priest of this Diocese, who is working in the Liberian Mission of the Order of the Holy Cross, in a recent letter to Bishop Hart, says:

"Last week I began my second year at Bolahun, actually a year and three months after leaving Philadelphia. The three months were devoted to much moving about and seeing of strange and fascinating sights, while the year has been one of relatively stationary duties. I feel more and more certain that the year has meant more in happiness and genuine satisfaction with my lot than had the first months away from home, as vivid as their memories are to me. One cannot begin to describe what a joy and privilege it is to be living and working with and for the simple, dignified native people of the African Interior. But it is just that they are simple, and are dignified;

they are clean, loyal and obedient to the law of the Gospel which we are trying to show them."

EPISCOPAL HOSPITAL

A Student Comments

The students at the Episcopal Hospital School of Nursing publish a paper called *The P. E. H. News*, which is very well written. One of the co-Editors, Miss Fuku Yokoyama, wrote the following editorial in the April issue, which has the special commendation of Bishop Hart:

"Among the many commendable qualities of the students here at Episcopal is the effortless ability to practice in their daily associations, the understanding and manifestations of due respect for those students and other staff members although they may differ in race, religion, creed, or opinions. The almost artificial stress that seems to glaze the face of the world at the present time with such synonymous words as intolerance and bigotry, are practically absent here within our immediate confines.

"Students here, whether they are Southerners, Northerners, Pennsylvania Dutch, Nisei, Jewish, probies or seniors, enjoy the same right to compete and work, in a very vast sense, with their fellow classmen.

"It was heartening to know that even during that period of time when the world was in a chaotic state, the democratic activities of the student body were carried on unaltered. There is truism in the adage that infers that any policy of friendly relations should begin in the home. Here at our own home-plate are being developed individual philosophies and practices of the ideal way of life. Let this then be a contribution toward the beginning of world peace—a most controversial topic, but which cannot be proven as unattainable."

May Fete Planned

The Elizabeth Price Martin League for Service, Unit No. 2, will hold a May Fete on the grounds of the Episcopal Hospital Tuesday, May 21st. A platter luncheon will be served from 12 to 2; afternoon tea from 4 to 6, and a snack bar, open all day, will make it very convenient for those who come for all or any part of the day. In addition to the usual booths found at a bazaar, there will be articles made by patients in the Occupational Therapy Department, farm produce from country parishes, etc. The chorus, composed of doctors and nurses, will sing, and there will be personally conducted tours of the Hospital. Proceeds will be used for special equipment that would not be otherwise available. For ten years preceding the war, this May Fete was an annual event. It is a good opportunity to meet your friends, to know your Hospital, and to help in its work.

75th Year at St. Georges, West End



THE REV. WILLIAM IVAN EDWARDS

The 75th Patronal Festival of St. George's Church, 61st Street and Hazel Avenue, was observed the first week in May. Bishop Remington administered Confirmation on Friday evening, May 3rd. Sunday, May

5th, at 11 A. M., the preacher was the Rev. James M. Niblo, Rector of St. John's Church, Norristown, who was at one time connected with this parish. At 8 P. M. the preacher was the Rev. Henry C. Mitchell, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Wayne.

While the work began in Cardington in 1858, the present building was opened for its first service on January 1, 1871. The first Rector was the Rev. Charles A. Maison, who had undertaken the establishment of this work while he was a Rector of St. James Church, Kingessing. The Rev. William Ivan Edwards has been Rector for the past twelve years.

Since it was first built, the stone church has been enlarged, and extensive improvements have been made to the interior, including the Chapel of St. Mary the Virgin. A stone parish house, matching the church, has also been erected.

St. George's Church today, with its spacious sanctuary, its beautiful marble altar and reredos, its lovely Lady Chapel, make a most fitting setting for the worship of Almighty God, and an inspiration to the worshipper.

In the Diocese

HENRY STUART PAYNTER, Editor

Each evening in Lent, in one of our parishes, there was a cottage prayer meeting in the home of one of the members, where prayers for the Rector, the Bishop, and the Church were offered. There was Bible reading, followed by discussion, and statements by those present of what the Church really means.

Mr. Maurice B. Homer, who was superintendent of the Church School of St. John's Church, Lansdowne, from 1908 to 1926, recently died at his home in Hawthorne, N. J.

St. James' Church, Downingtown, with a communicant strength of less than 300, had 32 confirmed at the last visitation. This comes fully up to the percentage hoped for.

John Christopher Nobes was born to the Rev. and Mrs. Clifford E. B. Nobes on April 2nd. Mr. Nobes has recently filled many engagements in the Diocese, relating his experiences as a Missionary in the Pacific.

A senior Y. P. F. for those beyond the high-school age, has been organized at the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator. Officers are changed each month.

The Department of Christian Social Relations has arranged a series of five lectures by Dr. Edward M. Burn on modern developments and methods in psychiatry. The lectures, for the clergy, are being given at the Philadelphia Divinity School on

Thursday evenings, beginning May 2nd.

The Rev. William L. Ziadie conducted a week's mission during Lent in Ascension Church, Rhawnhurst.

The Church Pension Fund reminds Clergy and Accounting Wardens to notify the Fund when changes in salaries are made. Promptness is very important.

The customary elaborate floral decorations in Christ Church, Upper Merion (Bridgeport) were omitted on Easter Day, and the money usually contributed for this purpose was sent for the feeding of the hungry in Europe.

The Rev. George Anderson, Rector of Trinity Church, Swarthmore, has been appointed Consul of the Republic of Paraguay in Philadelphia.

The Rev. Joseph Fort Newton preached the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of the School of Nurses of Jefferson Hospital in the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany on Wednesday evening, May 1st. The nurses' chorus of fifty-five voices took part in the service.

Mr. Albert F. Pearson, business manager of the Seamen's Church Institute, died on April 24th. He was a vestryman of St. Mary's Church, West Philadelphia.

A series of psychiatry lectures for the clergy is being given on Thursday evenings in May at the Philadelphia Divinity School by Dr. Edward M. Burn, of the staff of the Pennsylvania Hospital.

A series of discussions on "Marriage" for young people, either married or unmarried, between the ages of 17 and 30, is being conducted at St. Elizabeth's Church, 16th and Mifflin Streets, on Sunday evenings in May. The leaders are a physician, a psychiatrist, and a clergyman.

The Executive Council has authorized the payment of \$100 for each dependent child up to 18 years

of age of Missionaries on the minimum salary, for the year 1946.

The Rev. Harry Kaufman, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, has been elected as a member of the Department of Missions.

During Lent the 80 pupils in the Church School of St. Matthew's Church are given miniature stockings, made of bits of silk, awning stripe, etc., with draw-strings at the top. Each week these are brought in, emptied, and returned for further use. Last year the school gave over \$800.

The Senior Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew at the Church of the Epiphany, Sherwood, has been reorganized, with Herbert L. Walker as Director. Frank W. Baldwin, Jr., is the President of the Y. P. F. in the same parish.

A parish booklet recently published by the Free Church of St. John, Emerald and Elkhart Streets, contains a list of the members of the parish, questions and answers about the Church and the Bible, and a collection of special prayers.

Miss Eleanor A. Deane recently led a Lenten meditation and Mrs. Dorothy Spencer, a missionary to Japan, spoke before the women of St. Luke's Church, Kensington.

Study topics of the young people of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, during Lent, included the lives of the writers of the Gospels, and practices, teachings and history of various Christian bodies.

Chaplain John A. Schultz, formerly on the staff of St. Clement's Church, has been promoted to the rank of Captain in the Chaplain Corps of the United States Army. He is stationed in Shanghai, China.

An "Educational Day on Africa" was recently held at St. Thomas' Church, Whitmarsh, beginning with Holy Communion at 10 A. M. and continuing until 3 P. M. A team of leaders under the direction of Mrs. U. Grant Beath presented the topic in a variety of ways.

The Rev. Robert H. Gamble, Assistant Rector of the Church of the

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The General Convention



The first General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church met in Philadelphia on September 27, 1785, with forty-two persons from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and South Carolina. When the fifty-fifth General Convention meets in Philadelphia from September 10th to 20th, 1946, there will be over a thousand persons from every state in the Union, as well as from China, the Philippine Islands, Alaska, Brazil, the West Indies, Liberia, the Panama Canal Zone and the Hawaiian Islands.

Places of Meetings

The large public meetings to be held in connection with the General Convention will be held in the Convention Hall, which will be made to look like a great church. The House of Bishops will meet in Houston Hall, the House of Deputies in Irvine Auditorium, the Woman's Auxiliary in the University Museum. As there will be no students on the campus of the University during the period of the Convention, class rooms will be available for committee meetings. Joint meetings of the two houses of the Convention will be held in Irvine Auditorium, which has seats for 1100 on the main floor. The cafeteria facilities in Houston Hall will be utilized for serving lunches to deputies and delegates, where 2000 persons can be fed in two hours.

Choirs Are Wanted

The Diocesan Music Commission is inviting choirs from parishes and missions to participate in the music for the public meetings. There will be two general rehearsals in the spring and two in the fall, preceded by such separate study and rehearsal as each choirmaster may arrange when hymns and other musical settings have been determined. The conductor at the services will be the Chairman of the Diocesan Music Commission, Mr. Newell Robinson, who is instructor of music at the Philadelphia Divinity School. Inquiries concerning details of arrangements may be addressed to Mr. Rob-

inson at 7319 Oak Lane Avenue, Philadelphia 26.

Ushers and Pages

Many men will be needed to serve as ushers, to help handle the crowds and take the collections. Mr. Earl A. Doelling, 7724 Temple Road, Philadelphia 38, is Chairman of the Committee on Ushers. About 100 boys and young men will be organized for service as pages by a committee headed by the Rev. John H. A. Bomberger, 5021 Pine Street, Philadelphia 43. Their activities will be so arranged that small groups will be assigned for each session of each House.

Hospitality in Homes

When all the available hotel rooms have been assigned, it is anticipated that about 1000 places to accommodate deputies and delegates will be needed in private homes. Those who have such facilities available should volunteer their help to the clergy. Mr. C. Jared Ingersoll, Chairman of the Hospitality and Reception Committee, may be addressed at the Church House.

Visiting Preachers

So far about fifty of the Bishops have been assigned to preach in the pulpits of parishes and missions in this Diocese, as well as in New Jersey, Delaware, and the Diocese of Harrisburg. Requests for such engagements should be sent now by mail to the Committee on the Assignment of Speakers, Chairman,

the Rev. Henry S. Paynter, Church House. Where particular persons are desired, the committee will try to comply with such requests; but to avoid disappointment, second and third choices should be designated. It is also desired that any arrangements made directly with visitors be communicated to this committee for recording in its files, in order that confusion may be avoided.

Underwriting Expenses

It is anticipated that the expenses involved in the work of the general committee on arrangements for entertaining the Convention will amount to about \$20,000. It is hoped that many interested persons will make substantial contributions for this purpose. Dr. Thomas S. Gates is Chairman of the Finance Committee, which also includes Mr. Clarence M. Brown, Mr. M. Withington Clement, Mr. Frederick R. Drayton; Mr. William H. DuBarry, Mr. Thomas Hart, Mr. Samuel F. Huston, Mr. William C. Mason, Mr. Arthur V. Morton, Hon. George Wharton Pepper, Mr. Evans Randolph, Hon. Owen J. Roberts, Mr. Henderson Supplee.

Special Church News Number

In July THE CHURCH NEWS will issue a special General Convention number, with extra pages of illustrated articles pertaining to the Convention, and of special interest to Bishops, Clerical and Lay Deputies, and Delegates to the Woman's Auxiliary. We shall print five times the number of copies usually printed. They will be sent in advance to all who will officially attend the Convention, and will be available for wide distribution in our own Diocese. Additional advertisements are being solicited for this number, which will be an exceptionally desirable medium for those who wish to reach Church readers.

\$10,000 AWARD GIVEN TO DIOCESE OF OKLAHOMA

The Collier's Magazine award to outstanding Congressmen gave ten thousand dollars to Representative A. S. Monroney, an intimate friend of Bishop Hart. The sum was turned over to the Diocese of Oklahoma, where the Congressman is an active and devoted Churchman, and will be used for religious education.

A Prayer

FOR USE IN A TIME OF SCARCITY

O God, who fillest all things with plenteousness, behold in mercy the afflictions of hungry people in the world. Increase the fruits of the earth by thy heavenly benediction. Suffer them not to be hoarded by the selfish nor squandered by the foolish; but that all may share abundantly in the harvest of thy soil, according to thy will revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EPISCOPAL ACADEMY

The Rev. Michael Coleman, of British Columbia, and the Rt. Rev. J. Thomas Heistand, of Harrisburg, were the chapel speakers at Episcopal Academy during the month of March.

The Annual Ash Wednesday Corporate Communion was held in the Academy Chapel. The Rev. Elbert K. St. Claire, Chaplain, was celebrant, assisted by the Rev. William Forbes, a graduate of the Academy, recently returned from the Alaskan missionary field.

The Episcopal Academy has contributed over five hundred dollars to the Red Cross, and over two hundred dollars for European school relief. The interest in both campaigns was high among faculty and students.

Students from the Episcopal Academy Glee Club visited St. Mary's Hall, Burlington, for a combined concert with St. Mary's Glee Club, followed by a dance and supper.

A testimonial dinner was tendered to Dr. Greville Haslam in honor of his twenty-five years of service as Headmaster. The occasion also marked the silver anniversary of the location of the Academy in Overbrook.

Howard J. Bell, Jr., of the Class of 1930, has become President of Jamestown College, Jamestown, N. D.

CHAPLAIN'S PORTABLE ALTAR

A portable altar given by the Altar Guild of St. Mark's Church, Frankford, for a Chaplain's use in World War II, was used by the Rev. J. Gillespie Armstrong, III, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Ardmore. It has been returned to the Diocesan Altar Guild, and the following is taken from a letter of appreciation written by Mr. Armstrong:

"You might be interested to know that the set (Altar and its equipment) was used all over the world during the period from January, 1942, to August, 1945. It provided the Blessed Sacrament for Episcopalians regularly at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station from January, 1942, to November, 1942. It then went to sea on the U.S.S. *Nevada*, where it saw service in the Arctic, and later crossed the Atlantic Ocean to England and Ireland. In May, 1944, it went to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where it was used for five months; after which it went to Italy, where it was used from October, 1944, to September, 1945, both on shore and on ships that called in port.

"I believe it was returned in good condition notwithstanding that it was used often and regularly for nearly four years, and it

brought blessed comfort to men who stood in dire need most of the time."

The Altar has now been sent to the Indian Mission at Ethete, Wyo.

CHAPLAIN URBAN COMMENDED

The picture shows Chaplain Charles H. Urban in the chapel at the Separation Center at Camp Beale, California. He was Rector of



St. Barnabas' Church, Haddington, when he volunteered for service as an Army Chaplain. While stationed at Boca Raton Army Air Field in Florida, he was commended by Col. Neal Creighton, his commanding officer, who states: "I have had ample opportunity to observe the manner in which you have performed your duties as Base Chaplain. . . . I should like to take this opportunity to express my very grateful appreciation for the loyalty and support you have given to me and this command."

ARCHDEACON 99 YEARS OLD

The Ven. Henry L. Phillips, retired Archdeacon for Colored Work in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, was 99 years old on March 11, 1946. He was visited at his home by a group of his friends and fellow-workers. Although he has been confined to the house during the winter, he was able to greet his friends, and expressed the hope that he might live to be 100.

Among those who made the birthday visit were the Rev. J. F. Anderson, the Rev. M. W. Davis, Chaplain O. E. Holder, the Rev. J. W. Edwards, the Rev. L. W. Johnson, the Rev. J. R. Logan, the Rev. J. R. Logan, Jr., the Rev. T. W. Logan, the Rev. W. S. McKay, the Rev. E. S. Thomas, and the Rev. W. D. Turner.

Archdeacon Phillips was born in Jamaica, B. W. I., in 1847. He is the oldest living alumnus of the

Philadelphia Divinity School, having graduated in the class of 1872. In 1940 he was awarded an honorary degree by the Divinity School. He also holds a D.D. degree from Lincoln University.

His entire ministry has been spent in this Diocese. He was ordained by Bishop Stevens in 1875, and served at St. Thomas' Church for about six months. In the same year he was called to the Church of the Crucifixion, where he worked with great success until 1912. In 1897, with the aid of friends, he organized the Church League for Colored Work in the Diocese, and went about the Diocese giving information and arousing interest in the work among his people. In 1912, the League, which was a voluntary organization, discontinued its work, and Dr. Phillips was made Archdeacon for Colored Work by Bishop Rhinelander. He retired from active service in 1932, but continued to be the counselor and inspiration of all those who have carried on the work he had developed.

FIRE AT ST. MONICA'S

St. Monica's Mission, at Woodland Avenue and St. Mark's Street, West Philadelphia, was damaged by fire on Wednesday night, March 20th. The building, consisting of basement, first floor Sunday School room and second-floor church, was so badly damaged by the flames, the smoke and water, that it was rendered temporarily unfit for services. Books and vestments were destroyed, windows were broken; but most of the furnishings were undamaged. The chancel was not marred, as the fire was confined to the opposite end of the building. Loss has been estimated at approximately \$10,000, covered by insurance. The building will be restored. Meanwhile, arrangements were made to carry on the services of the Mission in the crypt of the Chapel at the Philadelphia Divinity School.

DR. SHRYOCK ON RADIO

Radio addresses over Station WFIL on Sundays at 1 P. M. by the Rev. John K. Shryock will deal with "Characters from I. Samuel" as follows: June 23, Eli; June 30, Samuel; July 7, Saul; July 14, Jonathan; July 21, David; July 28, the end of an era.

CONFIRMATION PERCENTAGES

The Rector of one of our parishes writes on this subject as follows:

"Following last year's confirmation class in this parish, I set out to see how many letters of transfer I could obtain. One came from a woman who had been confirmed so many years ago that she could not remember which church in Washington it took place in. Her husband is a vestryman at one of our central city churches, but she attends here.

"The result is that with the class I shall present this year this parish will have received by confirmation or transfer a little over the suggested nine per cent.

"Of course this matter is governed by the law of diminishing returns, and in a few years it will be impossible to attain this figure, but there is no reason why the Diocese of Pennsylvania should not show an immediate growth if the clergy would follow this suggestion, and a greater growth than we are showing now if they continued it."

NEW BOOKS AVAILABLE

The Diocesan Library announces a list of some fifty new books recently purchased for circulation. These and 4,000 other volumes are at the service of the clergy and laity of the Diocese. Between 1500 and 1800 volumes are loaned each year for a period of two weeks. Arrangements may be made to use the books for the entire summer. Miss Florence Gillin, at the Church House, is custodian of the Library. There are also many periodicals available for use in the reading room of the Library.

Andrew, Father—*Christ the Companion*.

Attwater, Donald—

Eastern Catholic Churches.

Bell, Bernard Iddings—*God Is Not Dead*.

Bishop of Plymouth and others—

Lent—A Manual for the Clergy.

Chorley, E. Clowes—*Men and Movements in the American Episcopal Church*.

Cirlot, F. L.—*Christ and Divorce*.

Conkling, Wallace E.—*Priesthood in Action*.

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The Heart of the Prayer Book.

Davis, John D.—

The Westminster Dictionary of the Bible.

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The Meaning of Paul for Today.

Erskine, John—*The Human Life of Jesus*.

Frank, Eric—*Philosophical Question and Religious Truth*.

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The Dark Night of the Soul.

Hebert, A. G.—*The Form of the Church*.

Heimsath, Charles H.—

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Herrick, Warren C.—

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Johnson, Paul E.—*Psychology of Religion*.

Klausner, Joseph—*From Jesus to Paul*.

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Kluckhohn and others—

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The Great Century in Europe and U. S. A.

Lewis, C. S.—*The Great Divorce*.

Lowry, Charles W.—

The Trinity and Christian Devotion.

Martin, J. A.—

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Mercer, Samuel A. B.—

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Moffatt, James—*Everyman's Life of Jesus*.

Moody and others—

Religion of Soldier and Sailor.

Moss, Herman—*These Moving Times*.

Orton, W. A.—*The Liberal Tradition*.

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Labor and Tomorrow's World.

Palmer, E. J.—*South India: The Meaning of the Scheme for Church Union*.

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 Strong—*Jesus the Man of Prayer*.
 Tawes, K. J.—*The Global Christ*.
 Temple, William—*Is Christ Divided?*
 Tillich and others—*The Christian Answer*.
 Underwood, Kenneth—
 Christianity Where You Live.
 Visser 'T Hooft, W. A.—*The Wretchedness and Greatness of the Church*.
 Weatherhead, Leslie D.—
 The Significance of Silence.

RURAL CLERGY CONFERENCE

The eighth annual Conference for Town and Country Pastors will be held at State College, Pennsylvania, from July 1st to 5th. In addition to the usual courses, some of the special features this year will include such subjects as reaching the unchurched, remodeling and building, beautifying the church grounds, recreational leadership for pastors, agricultural information. The conference will be open to ministers and their wives. The enrollment will be limited to 200. Expenses will be about \$20 per person. Inquiries should be addressed to William V. Dennis, Chairman, No. 4 Hort Building, State College, Pa.

Forty men serve as ushers at Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown. They serve in groups of ten on each Sunday. All new ushers are instructed and rehearsed for their work. They will be on duty at the General Convention, along with men from other parishes.

The Rev. William T. Metz, of St. Gabriel's Church, Feltonville, recently conducted a quiet day at the Philadelphia Divinity School.

St. Mark's (Frankford) Men's League had as their guests at a recent meeting Wesley Harvey and Bob Kurtz, of the University of Pennsylvania football team. Moving pictures were shown of games played at Franklin Field.

India is one of the topics recommended for study in 1946-1947. Another missionary theme to receive special emphasis will be "The Christian and Race."

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The Altar Guild of Calvary Church, Conshohocken, has presented to the City Mission Chapel an Altar Service Book in memory of Dr. William H. Jefferys, for twenty-five years Superintendent of the City Mission.

Two altar books and two prayer books for chancel use were recently dedicated at the Church of the Resurrection in loving memory of Jane Brown Burns.

At Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, a prayer desk was recently dedicated as a memorial to Alfred Allison, Jr., given by his parents. The Men's League of this parish will sponsor the building of a sacristy as a memorial of those members who served in the war.

The Girls' Friendly Society of All Saints' Church, Crescentville, has made numerals and letters for hymn boards for use in the choir.

At St. Matthew's Church, 18th and Girard Avenue, the redecoration of the interior has been completed. Two hundred and fifty new prayer books have been placed in the pews.

Contributions are being received for the installation of a war memorial window in St. John's Church, Lansdowne, which will contain the names of all those from the parish who laid down their lives in the nation's service. A tablet will be placed near the window, containing the names of men and women who were in military service.

Trinity Church, Collingdale, is engaged in raising a fund for the securing of an organ in memory of those who died in war service, and as a thank offering for those safely returned.

In her will, recently probated, Mrs. Kathryn O. Stoll made a bequest of \$5,000 to the Episcopal Hospital.

On Palm Sunday Bishop Hart dedicated two eucharistic candlesticks at St. John's Church, Cynwyd, in memory of Samuel Eugene Kuen and William Besse Kuen.

At the time of his visitation for Confirmation at the Church of the Incarnation, Drexel Hill, on Palm Sunday, Bishop Remington dedicated six brass office candlesticks in memory of Elizabeth B. Hindle.

St. Luke's Church, Germantown, was willed the sum of \$500 by Miss Ann Sinclair Register, who died in Germantown in March.

Extensive renovations have been made in the rectory of St. James' Church, Prospect Park.

The vestry of All Saints' Church, Crescentville, recently purchased a house at 520 E. Sentner Street, to be used as a rectory.

A pair of candelabra, in memory of Winfield S. H. Knopf, was recently dedicated at St. Martin's Church, Oak Lane. The Men's Club of this parish has installed a cement floor in the choir room, which has been fitted for the use of the kindergarten classes.

The late Joseph F. Wood willed \$50,000 to the Episcopal Hospital.

St. Mary's Church, 39th and Locust Streets, in anticipation of the meeting of the General Convention, is planning to renovate its Parish House, so that it may be available if needed in this connection.

At St. George's Church (Venango) there was used for the first time on Easter Day a new white silk dossal, given in memory of William Yeo.

In memory of the Rev. Robert Bakewell-

Green, former Rector of the Parish, and Dr. H. A. Ickes, first choirmaster and organist, a private communion service has been presented to St. Stephen's Church, Norwood, by Mrs. Bakewell-Green. The service had been presented originally to her husband by the Girls' Friendly Society of the Church of the Beloved Disciple when he was rector of that parish.

ORDINATIONS

A service of ordination was conducted by Bishop Hart at St. Paul's Church, Chester, on March 15th. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Crosswell McBee. Mr. William Armstrong Powel, presented by the Rev. Ralph E. Coonrad, was ordained Deacon. Mr. Robert Everitt Savage, presented by the Rev. S. Tagart Steele, Jr., was ordained Deacon. The Rev. Robert Morton Smith, presented by the Rev. Charles H. Long, was ordained Priest. The Rev. Frederick Farwelle Valentine, Jr., presented by the Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox, was ordained Priest.

CLERICAL CHANGES

The Rev. Robert E. Savage, recently ordained Priest, has been appointed Vicar of Trinity Church, Solebury.

The Rev. Robert G. Metters, formerly Curate at St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, has become Rector of Emmanuel Church, Boston, Mass.

The Rev. W. Warrin Fry, formerly Curate at Holy Trinity Church, has been placed in charge of two Missions in the Missionary District of North Texas.

The Rev. Allen Evans, former Dean of the Divinity School, has become director of the Kirkbride Fund for Research in Psychiatry, with an office at 1421 Chestnut Street.

The Rev. David O. Trauger, Church of the Good Shepherd, Kensington, is now residing at 2353 E. Cumberland Street, Philadelphia 25, Pa.

The Rev. George C. Ashley has been elected Rector of St. James' Church, Hestonville. Address: 921 W. Fishers Avenue, Philadelphia 41, Pa.

The Rev. Oliver E. Newton is now in charge of Grace Church, Hulmeville, and All Saints' Church, Fallsington. Address: Hulmeville, Pa.

The Rev. William A. Powell is Vicar of the Church of the Atonement, Morton. Address: 1323 Rutland Lane, Wynnewood, Pa.

The Rev. Thomas A. Meryweather, Associate Rector of the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, has accepted a call to become Rector of the Church of the Advocate, beginning September 1st.

The Rev. Frederick E. Seymour has announced that he will resign as Vicar of St. George's Church, Ardmore, on September 30th. He will make his home in Saunterstown, R. I., after his retirement.

The Rev. Walter C. Klein has been appointed by the Presiding Bishop to represent the Church in the United States on the staff of the Anglican Cathedral at Jerusalem.

HOW TO GIVE FOOD

Bishop Hart has received a letter from the Church Committee of the Mayor's Emergency Food Collection, asking for the co-operation of our people in the campaign to give food to hungry people in the world from May 12th through May 31st. We are asked to concentrate our efforts in the purchase of the red and green coupons, which can be purchased from local stores. Each parish and mission should provide facilities for depositing these coupons, which are to be sent to Bishop Hart by May 28th, so that he may give them to the Mayor, and that we may witness as a Church our deep concern. After June 1st we shall continue our whole-hearted support of material aid through the World Council of Churches.

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Marriage

The Rev. Russell Otto Kirch, Chaplain in U. S. Army, and Miss Meta Agnes Williams were united in holy matrimony by Bishop Hart in the Chapel at the Church House on Easter Monday.

Death

On Wednesday, April 17th, occurred the death of the Rev. Malbone Hunter Brickhead, who had been assistant at All Saints' Church, Wynnewood, from 1917 to 1925, and at St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, from 1925 to the time of his retirement in 1934. Burial service was at All Saints' Church.

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IN THE DIOCESE

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Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, preached in the Chapel of Bryn Mawr College on Sunday evening, March 10th.

St. George's Church, Ardmore, starting its work fourteen years ago without any communicants, now has almost 500 listed. The Vicar recently appointed a committee of the Parish Council to survey the surrounding community and make recommendations to enable the parish to meet the substantial growth which is sure to come in the next five years.

On April 1st, Mr. James Carrigan began his fortieth year of service as Verger of St. Stephen's Church, 10th above Chestnut Street.

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Bishop Hart's Prayer for the General Convention has been reprinted from *THE CHURCH NEWS* and is

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On Ash Wednesday Bishop Hart was the preacher at the noon-day service in St. Stephen's Church. Later that same week he was the preacher at Trinity Church, Boston, of which parish he was Rector when he was elected Bishop Coadjutor of Pennsylvania. He was also a noon-day preacher at St. Bartholomew's Church, New York. He conducted the Three-Hour Service on Good Friday at St. Mary's Church, Ardmore, and spent Easter Day at the Church of the Incarnation, Morrisville.

Miss Ellen Stone Johnson has resigned as Executive Secretary of the Church Mission of Help to take a position with the California State Child Welfare Board. Her successor, Mrs. Anne Boyce Harris, has been a supervisor in the Wilmington Family and Children's Court. She is a graduate of the Pennsylvania School of Social Work.

The Rev. Thomas A. Meryweather

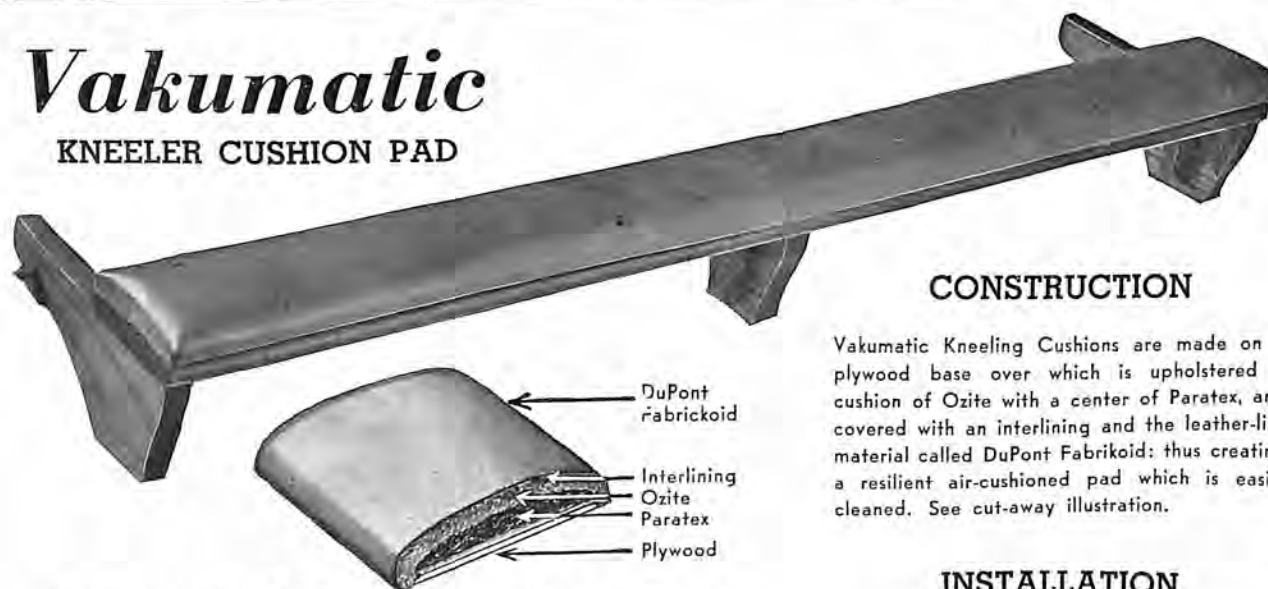
has been made a member of the public relations committee of the Crime Prevention Association of Philadelphia. On March 20th he spoke before the Chester Optimist Club.

The Church School News of St. Simeon's Church has just begun its ninth year of publication of a weekly mimeographed paper of three or four large pages, filled with timely news of the school and parish. The staff: Editor, G. Leighton Erb; Associate Editor, J. Frank Turley; Mimeographer, Howard Beale; Circulation, Mrs. Turley and Mrs. Beale; Parish News, Miss Jefferson; Head Class Reporter, Mrs. Fred Wright; Class Reporters, Mrs. Bell, Dorothy Iehle, Mary Henzel, Edna Lang, Patricia Haley, Clara Baskin, Catherine Kenney, Charles Cronenberg, Peter McKay, Max Krapf, Benjamin Pilling.

The Rev. George S. McKinley has moved into the Rectory at Compass, which has just been renovated after a fire. He is Rector of St. John's, Compass, and Vicar of Ascension, Parkesburg.

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